

The consumer benefits whenever there is competition. Competition requires competitors to be alive. If the FCC lifts the dominant classification from the Local Exchange Carriers (Bells), it will limit competition to a duopoly consisting of a bell and a cable company. ISPs and CLECs will die, consumers will be deprived of choice. Chairman Powell: The phone industry is quickly moving to a state where there again will be no competition. I like choices, because that is what permits me to differentiate between vendors. Please do not remove this option from me.